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1. [redacted] the Steel Products Factory in Salgotarjan /4806N-1949E7, Hungary, in 1951 during inspection tours of various Hungarian industrial plants. [redacted]

2. The area covered by this installation extends approximately 500 m. in a northeast-southwest direction, and 250 m. in a northwest-southeast direction. It is located approximately five km. from the Czechoslovak border and approximately five km. from the Hungarian Ferro-Alloy Factory near Zagyvarona (See Encl (A)7, Point #2. The factory, which is under the jurisdiction of the Ferrous metallurgy department of the Foundries and Machine Industries Ministry, employs 3,500 to 5,000 workers.

3. Of the installation's total production, 80 per cent is destined for export, reparations to the USSR, and war industry. [redacted] further information on production at the Salgotarjan Steel Products Factory as follows:

- a. Blacksmith's shop (Encl (B), Point #24) makes car axles, hammers, axes, military picks, railroad spikes, horseshoes, and horseshoe nails.
- b. Agricultural Implements Factory (Encl (B), Point #57) makes harrow disks, fork prongs, agricultural spades and hoes, and spades for the Army. Some of these products are exported to South America.
- c. Machine Shop (Encl (B), Point #257) makes monkey wrenches and spanner wrenches, also for export.

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- d. Foundry [Encl (B), Point #29] molds cast iron from the Ozd and MAVAG Metallurgical Works [REDACTED] Railroad wheels and other smaller machine frames are cast at the foundry. 25X1
- e. Cold rollers [Encl (B), Point #2] are the only ones in the country, [REDACTED] The cold rollers roll thin steel and iron ribbons (Szalagok), part of which are tinned in this installation and part of which are made into bundles and shipped away. Some of the ribbons are sent to war industries for further work. 25X1
- f. Wire drawing shop [Encl (B), Point #3B] supplies the country's needs with iron and steel wire between 5 mm. and .2 mm. in diameter. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] some reparations shipments to the Soviet Union are made from the wire products. 25X1
- g. Nails plant [Encl (B), Point #3A] manufactures the nails needed in Hungary. Important quantities of nails are exported to South America.

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(B [REDACTED] the Steel Products Factory in Salgotarján, Hungary.

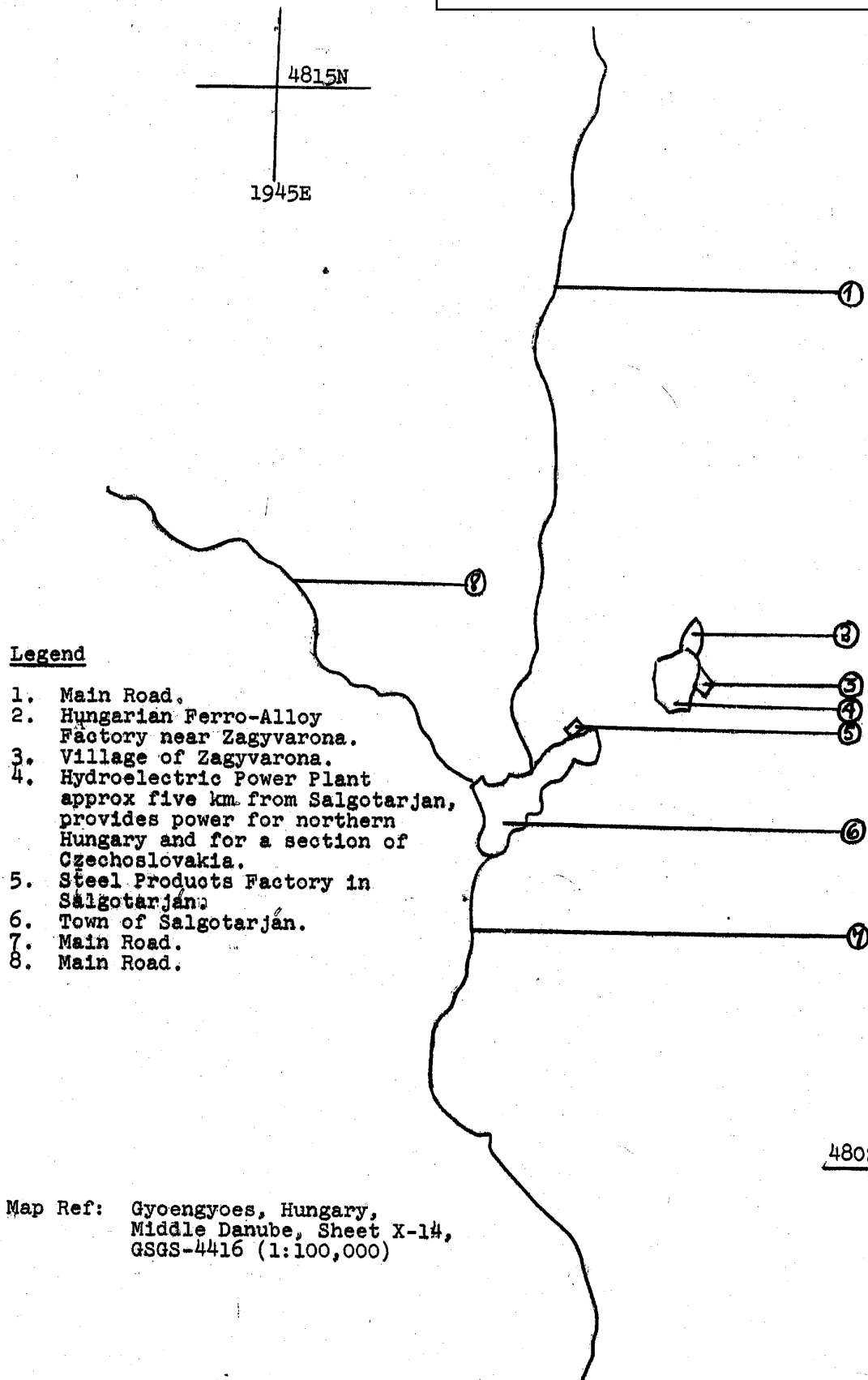
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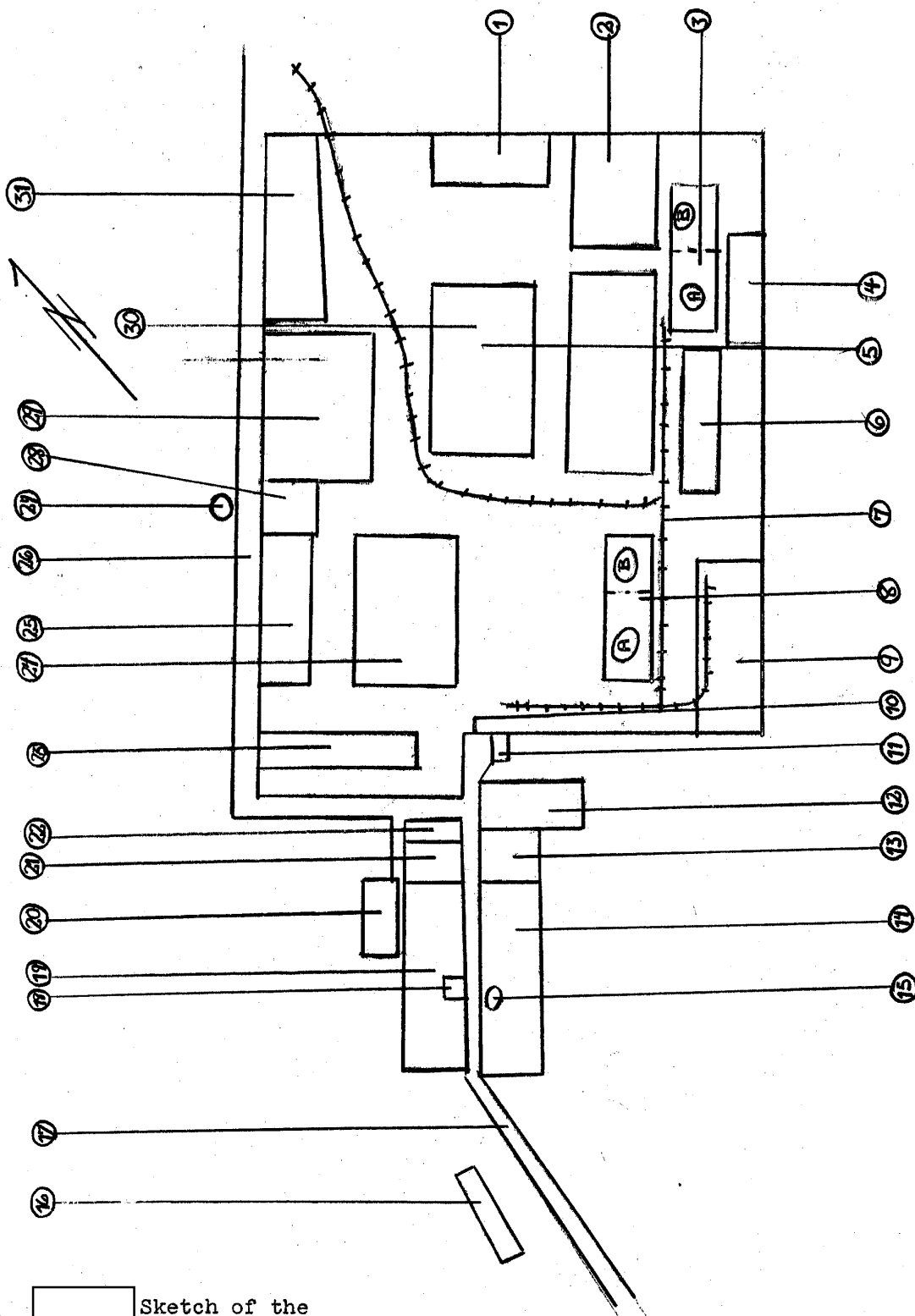
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Sketch of the
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1. The Roller Lathe Shop. This shop finishes the rollers put out in this factory preparatory to shipment. This building was single story, of brick construction, approximately 30 by 20 m. in size.
2. The Cold Rollers. The only shop of its type in Hungary. This was a single story building of brick construction, concrete covered, approximately 80 m. long and 50 m. wide. The roof was probably of metal. There were approximately 100 cold rollers in this shop.
3. Nail and Wire Drawing Plant. This building was two stories high, of brick or concrete construction, approximately 100 m. long and 50 m. wide. The roof was probably of metal.
- 3A In this section of the building nails were manufactured.
- 3B In this section of the building wire was drawn, from five mm. in diameter to 0.3 and down to 0.1 mm.
4. High Grade Steel Tools Storage Building (Nemesacél és Szerszám Raktár). This was a cement covered, single story building, of brick construction approximately 30 m. long and 15 m. wide. The gabled roof was tile.
5. Agricultural Implements Factory (Gazdasági Szerarugyar). This building was of brick, concrete covered, approximately 100 by 50 m in size. Its height was similar to a two-story building. The roof was probably of metal.
6. The Material and Goods Traffic Department (Anyag és Áruforgalmi Főosztály). This was a single story brick building, concrete covered, approximately 30 by 20 m. in size. The roof was tile.
7. Normal Gauge Rail line, single track.
8. Warehouse and Materials Receiving Office. This was a single story building of brick construction, stucco covered, approximately 50 by 20 m in size. The roof was probably tile or slate covered.
- 8A The Warehouse.
- 8B The materials receiving place and office (Anyag Átvétel).
9. Storage Area and Railroad Loading Place. The finished products and raw materials were stored there prior to shipment or upon arrival. This area was being covered with a roof in 1952, and this work may have been completed in the Summer of 1952.
10. Main Entrance.
11. Gate house, used by the guards.
12. Office Building. This was a two story building of brick construction, approximately 20 by 15 m. in size. The roof was tile. The installation director's office, the technical director's office, the planning and statistical section and the personnel section were located there.
13. Office Building. This was a single story building of brick construction, approximately 12 by 12 m in size, with a tile covered roof. The planning and investment section was located there.
14. Area Occupied by Residence Buildings for the Employees. The buildings were the property of the factory.
15. Church building.
16. Railroad Station.
17. Road, stone or concrete covered, approximately 12 m. wide. This road lead southward to Hatvan (J 03).
18. School building.
19. Area Occupied by residential buildings, for the employees (the buildings were the property of the factory).
20. The House of Culture (Kultur Haz).
21. The Guest House.
22. Garden area.
23. Auto repair shop and garage. This was a single story brick building, approximately 15 by 10 m in size. The roof was tile covered.
24. Smith's shop. This was a brick building approximately 70 by 40 m in size. It was approximately as high as a two story building. The roof, which was partly open, was barrel-shaped and metallic. Forging ovens and steam hammers were located there. The area between this building and the warehouse and materials receiving office (Point #8) was used to store wire coils and ingots, which arrive from Ozd Metallurgical Works for finishing.

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25. Machine Shop. This was a single story brick building, approximately 50 by 25 m. in size. The roof was probably of metal. Machine tools, such as lathes, drills, etc, were located there. The area between the Smith's Shop (Point #24) and this shop was also used as a storage place for materials arriving from the Ozd Metallurgical Works for finishing.
26. Dirt Road, leading to Zagyvarona /4807N-1952E/, approximately six km. from the Steel Products Factory in Salgotarjan.
27. Smoke stack, of brick construction, approximately 60 m. high.
28. Unidentified building.
29. Foundry (Oentoede). This building was of brick construction, cement covered, approximately 50 by 20 m. in size, as high as a two-story building. The roof, which was partly open, was probably of metal.
30. This area was used as a scrap iron loading and storing place.
31. This area was used as a storage place for the installation's fuel (coal).

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